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Applicant: Timothy A. Stewart, et al.
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Title: **FIBROBLAST GROWTH FACATOR-19 (FGF-19) NUCLEIC ACIDS AND POLYPEPTIDES AND METHODS OF USE FOR THE TREATMENT OF OBESITY**

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PETITION AND FEE FOR EXTENSION OF TIME, (37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a))

Sir:

Applicants petition the Commissioner of Patents and Trademarks to extend the time for response to the office action dated July 16, 2004 for three (3) month(s) from October 16, 2004 to January 16, 2005 (which is a Sunday and is followed by a Federal Holiday on Monday which would make the due date January 18, 2005). The extended time for response does not exceed the statutory period.

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